

Paragon Star Village Design Review Committee Report dated October 26, 2022

Applicant:	Paragon Star, LLC
Village Lot	Lot 9, Paragon Star Second Plat (Building 2)
Land Use:	$2\ story\ commercial\ building\ with\ 1^{st}\ floor\ retail/restaurant\ and\ 2^{nd}\ floor\ office$
Developme	ent Review Committee Review Summary
Appr	oved. Proposed Improvements conform with the Paragon Star Village Design Guidelines
	Approved. Proposed Improvements do not conform with the Paragon Star Village Design elines
	roved with Modification. Proposed Improvements conform with the Paragon Star Village gn Guidelines with the following approved modification:
	To the minimum of 75% glass for the above pedestrian level office space architecture as presented in reviewed and approved Applicant elevations.
Decision of	DRC is documented in the <u>attached meeting minutes</u> .
If you have	any questions, please contact Ellen Foster, DRC Chair.
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Ellen Foster AIA

DRC Chair



Paragon Star Village Design Review Committee October 19, 2022, 2:00 p.m. Meeting Agenda

Roll Call

Ellen Foster Christine Bushyhead Ben Short Greg Swetnam Trish Carlyle Tom Lovell

1. Inaugural Design Review Committee (DRC) Meeting Introductions

Ellen Foster is with Finkle Williams Architecture and the firm is the architect for multiple buildings in Paragon Star as well as the commercial district that we refer to as "the Village". Ellen will serve as the Chair of the Committee.

Christine Bushyhead is a long-time member of the Paragon Star brain trust, counsel to Paragon Star LLC as well as counsel to the View High Community Improvement District (CID). Christine will serve as secretary to the Committee.

Ben Short is a member of the Paragon Star LLC team in the role of Director of Development, formerly with AREA Real Estate Advisors. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the I-470 and View High Community Improvement District.

Greg Swetnam is an experienced commercial broker, with an emphasis in office space, with Kessinger Hunter Commercial Real Estate. Greg is a leading commercial broker in the KC Metro and his firm will be handling the commercial brokerage for the office space for the initial building to be built at Paragon Star.

Trish Carlyle is a resident of Lee's Summit and a former Lee's Summit City Councilmember who was called upon to review many land use and incentive agenda items related to the Paragon Star project. Trish has acquired extensive and diverse development review experience during her eight years of Council service. Trish is also an accomplished litigation paralegal.

Tom Lovell is a resident of Lee's Summit and the former, now retired, Parks and Recreation Administrator for the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri. Under Tom's more than three and one-half decades of administrative leadership and support, the Parks and Recreation Board and Department has received many state and national certifications and recognitions including the Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Parks and Recreation at the national association conference.

2. Overview of Paragon Star Development Vision and Design Guidelines



Ms. Foster introduced the how did we get here, and what is the role of the DRC. Through the City of Lee's Summit preliminary development plan ("PDP") process the developer, Paragon Star, LLC ("Paragon Star"), in addition to submitting a site development plan for the Village, also, as required, presented proposed elevations and related Design Guidelines created to assist in the implementation of the development vision approved by the City Council in 2019, through the preliminary development plan public hearing process.

The City Council approved "Paragon Star Village Design Guidelines" ("Design Guidelines"), a copy of which was provided to the Committee in advance of the meeting. The Design Review Committee and its role is described therein. All site or vertical improvements proposed within the Village shall be submitted to the DRC for review. The DRC "will use its best judgement to determine the applicant's conformity to the Design Guidelines and/or the Paragon Star Vision. Any proposed modifications that deviate from the Paragon Parkway Vision will be reviewed by the DRC on a case-by-case basis. The DRC shall have the sole authority to approve or deny any request." (Section 2, Page 6 of the Design Guidelines)

The Design Guidelines present guidance on Materiality, Transparency, Building Articulation and Signage. It is of note that at the time of adoption of the Design Guidelines, the Signage Section 7, page 26 noted that the graphic package would be forthcoming inclusive of wayfinding and placemaking signage as well as building and tenant signage requirements. Ms. Bushyhead advised that a draft application to amend the PDP by amending the Design Guidelines to add the anticipated signage requirements for the Village is currently being prepared for filing with the City.

Ms. Foster concluded her overview remarks by inviting committee members to feel free to provide insight and direction on how aspects of this review process might be changed or enhanced to assist the Committee in its work. Ms. Carlyle suggested that in addition to the Design Guidelines, a copy of the applicant's materials in advance of the meeting would be helpful. The Committee agreed that the inclusion of the application in the meeting packet would be a good addition to the process.

3. Design Review for "Building 2", Presentation by the Architect/Applicant

Jessica Reed-Shultz, architect at Finkle Williams, presented the attached design packet information for the building to be constructed on Lot 9 of the Paragon Star Second Plat, Building 2, under development by Paragon Star, LLC ("Applicant"). She began her discussion reviewing the Architectural Site Plan for the building orienting the Committee to the north, south, east, and west facades of the building while discussing the applicable building materials of textured metal panels, manufactured stone/brick veneer, and glass, which are all approved materials. She then presented the Building Elevations plan sheet and



described the only deviation from the Design Guidelines for which the Applicant was seeking a modification was related to the guideline that "... all office facades shall have a minimum of 75% glass at all levels above the pedestrian level." She also noted for the discussion that "Full height glass (minimum 12'h) shall be a primary condition at the pedestrian level ..." for most Village structures including those along Paragon Parkway. Though not required, 12-foot-high glass panels were provided on the upper floor of Building 2. However, the evolution of the design of the building from the original reduced the percentage of glass coverage from the required second floor office ratio of 75% to 60%, exclusive of the revised roof screening design, or 38%, including the roof screening architectural element. The pedestrian level transparency design met the pedestrian level 75% primary condition. The Applicant is requesting a modification from the second-floor office transparency ratio of 75%.

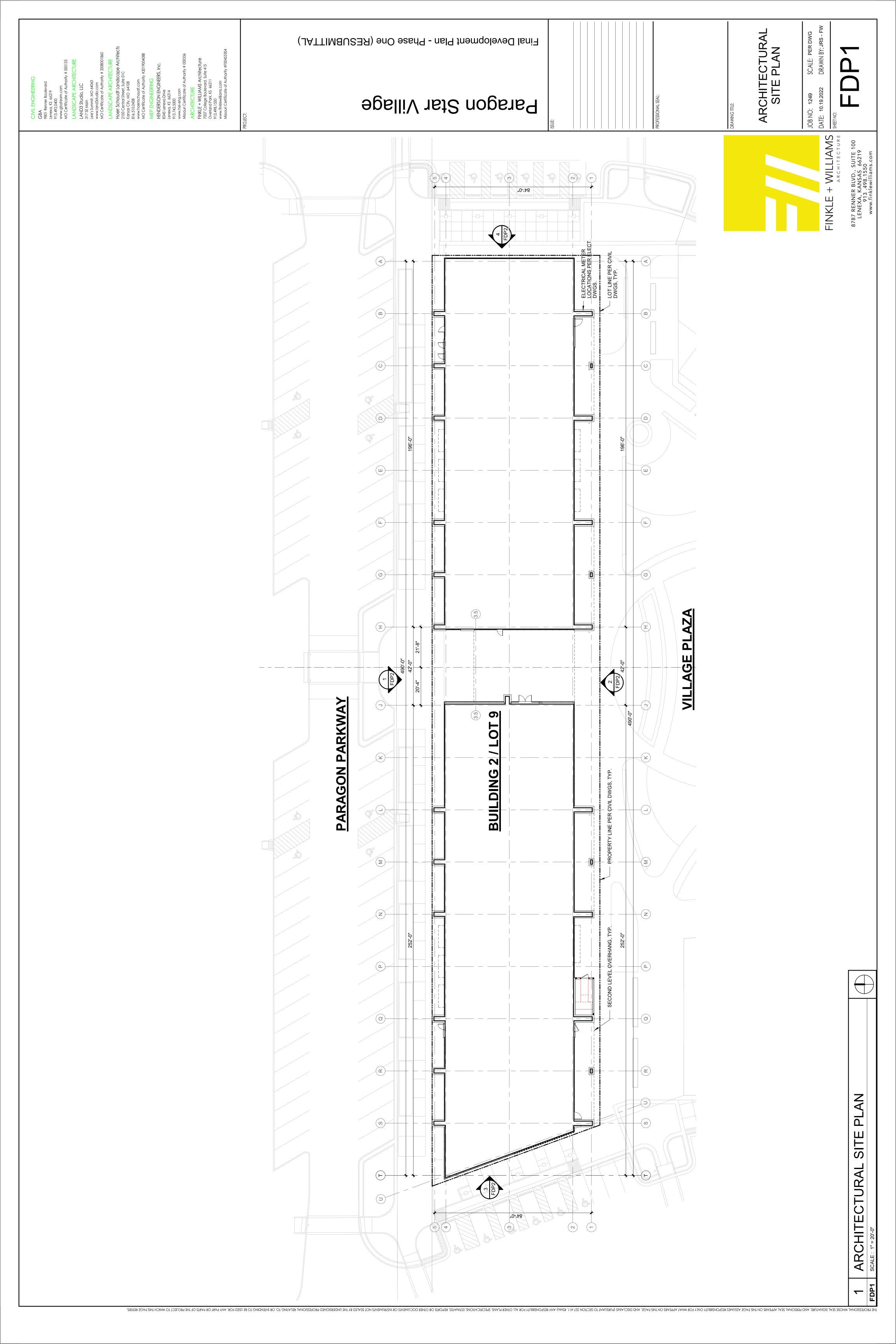
Committee discussion ensued. Mr. Lovell commented that it appeared that the 1st floor glass design presented far exceeds the required 75% on the pedestrian level and appears closer to 90% or more, to which Ms. Reed-Shultz responded yes, that is correct. Mr. Swetnam remarked that 12-foot of glass panel design for office space is very strong, and the design as presented creates a great glass line creating impressive and unique office space. Ms. Carlyle asked to see the original design which would be the vision presented to the City Council and the previous approved design looking east along Paragon Parkway was shown to the Committee. Ms. Carlyle remarked she in fact liked the new design better to which several Committee members agreed. It was the general impression of the Committee that the new design honors the intention and vision of transparency when considering the in-excess of goal percentage of glass on the first level and the use of the 12-foot window panel on the second floor.

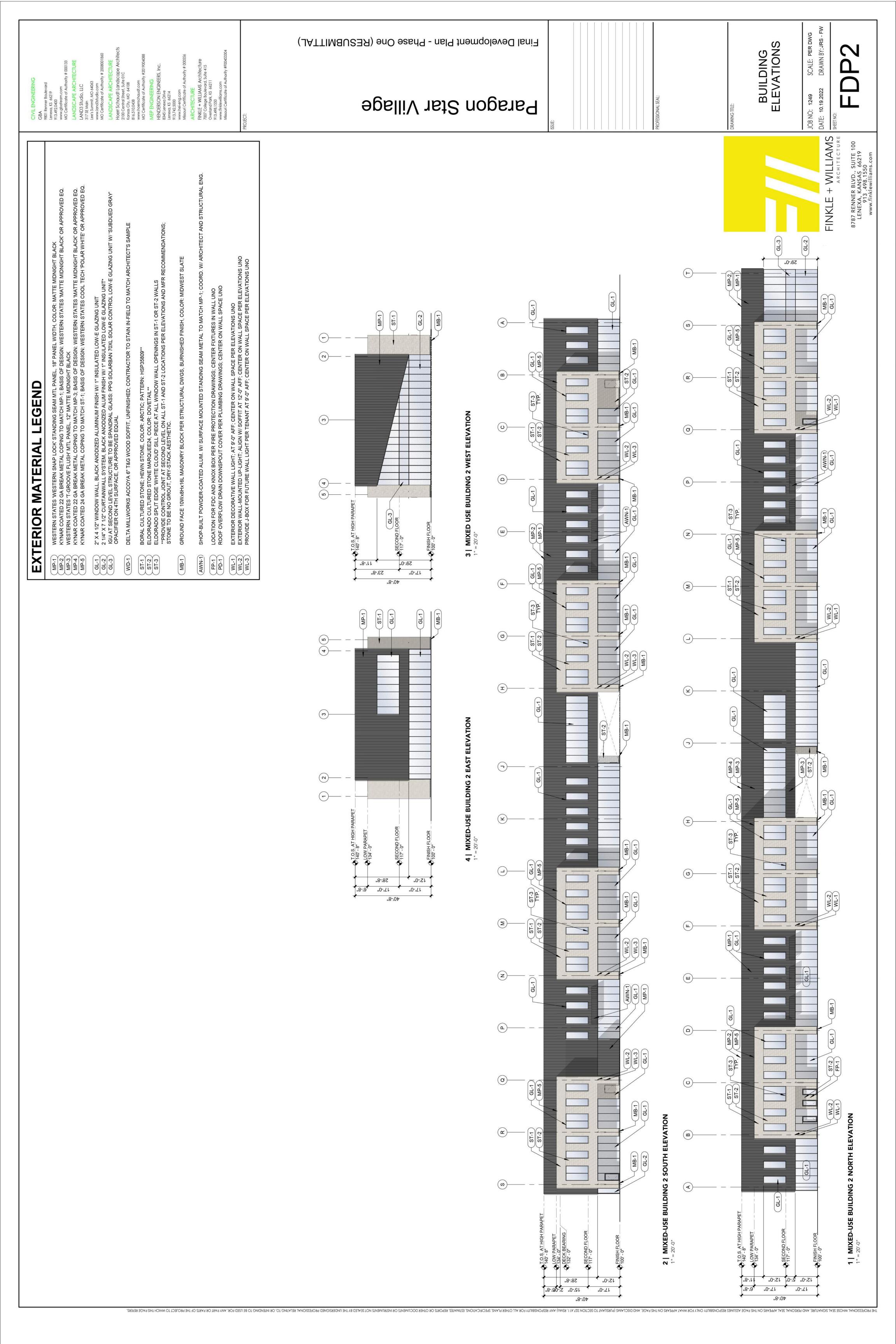
With a motion made by Ms. Carlyle, seconded by Mr. Short, the Committee voted unanimously to approve a modification to the minimum of 75% glass at above pedestrian level office space for the architecture of Building 2 of the Village. Ms. Foster suggested that the Applicant create an additional plan sheet that showed a side-by-side comparison of the looking east along Paragon Parkway elevation of Building 2 to be included in the minutes of the meeting.

With no further discussion or business, the Committee meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:00 p.m.

Attachments:

FDP1 – Architectural Site Plan FDP2 – Building Elevations Looking East Along Paragon Parkway Elevation Contrast









PREVIOUS APPROVED DESIGN - LOOKING EAST ALONG PARAGON PARKWAY

